



# 2015 MICHIGAN COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS

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Committee*

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## BACKGROUND

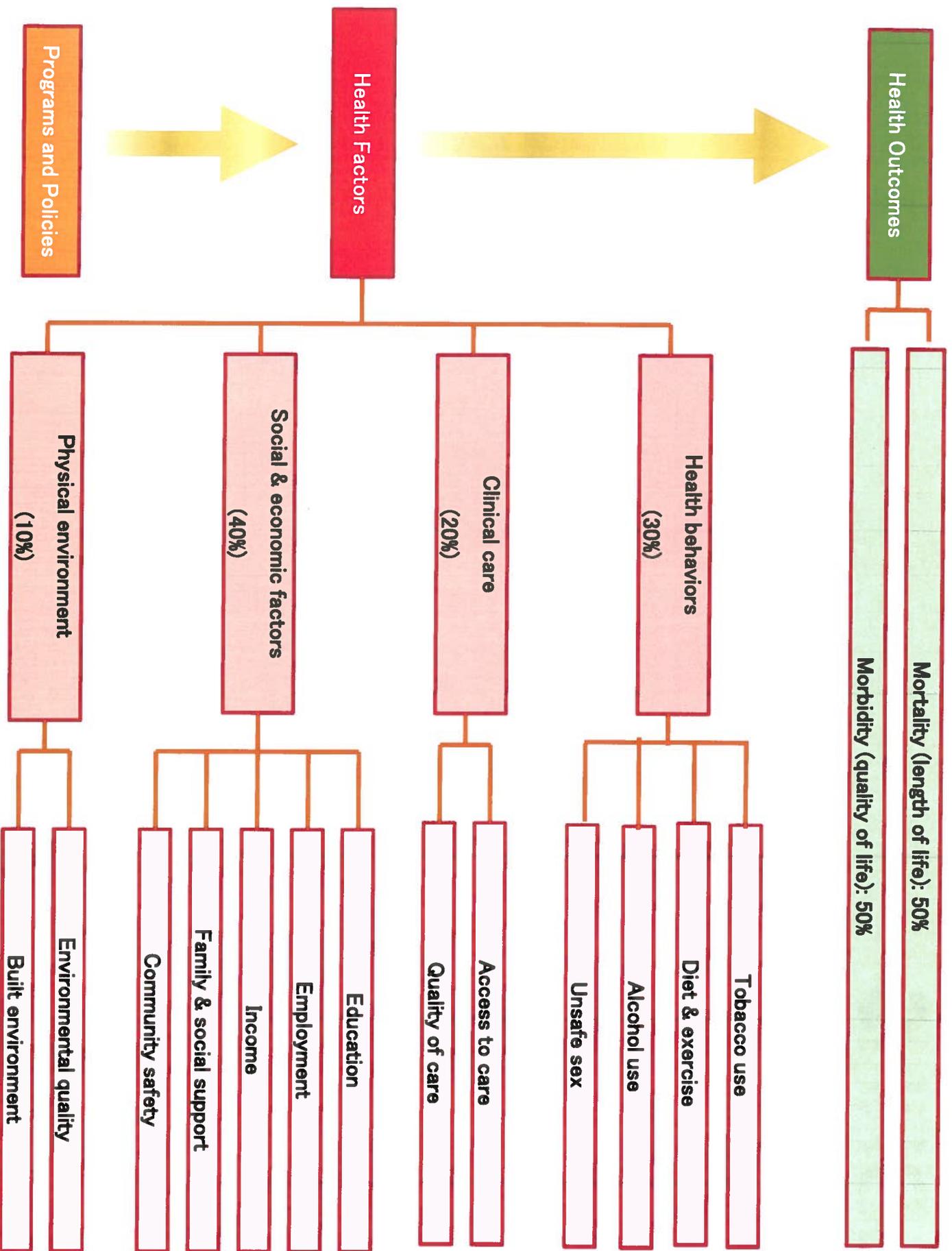
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- ▶ **What:** Rankings of the health of nearly every county in the nation
- ▶ **Who:** The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute (UWPHI)
- ▶ **When:** Annually
- ▶ **Where:** [www.countyhealthrankings.org](http://www.countyhealthrankings.org)
- ▶ **Roadmaps:** Moving Forward with Action

## **PROGRAM COMPONENTS**

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- ▶ **Model of population health**
- ▶ **County level data**
- ▶ **Tools to move from data to action**



County Health Rankings model © 2010

## **EVERY COUNTY IS RANKED ON**

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### **Health Outcomes**

*(how healthy we are)*

- ▶ **Mortality (50%):**  
Measures how long people live
- ▶ **Morbidity (50%):**  
Measures how healthy people feel while alive

### **Health Factors**

*(how healthy we can be)*

- ▶ **Health behaviors (30%)**
- ▶ **Clinical care (20%)**
- ▶ **Social and economic factors (40%)**
- ▶ **Physical environment (10%)**



## **MICHIGAN COUNTY INITIATIVES**

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- ▶ **1 in 21**
- ▶ **Together We Can**
- ▶ **Building a Healthier Community**

## RWJ MINI-GRANT OPPORTUNITY

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- ▶ Eligible health departments
- ▶ Purpose: Facilitate action in at least one health factor area
- ▶ Requirement: Engage key partners in public health conversations
  - ▶ District Health Department 2
  - ▶ District Health Department 10
  - ▶ Central Michigan District Health Department
  - ▶ Benzie Leelanau District Health Department

## **SUMMARY**

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- ▶ Use the ratings to learn more about factors impacting health in your community
- ▶ Use the tools to help inform a ‘short list’ of strategies to consider more closely in your community.

